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Applicant: Thomas Valentine MCCARTHY et al.

Appl. No.: 09/673,739 Group: 1656

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For: A METHOD FOR THE CHARACTERIZATION OF NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES INVOLVING GENERATION OF EXTENDIBLE UPSTREAM DNA FRAGMENTS RESULTING FROM THE CLEAVAGE OF NUCLEIC ACID AT AN ABASIC SITE

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

July 5, 2002

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.  
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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR			PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL	23	-	24	=	0	\$ 9	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	1	-	3	=	0	\$ 42	\$0.00
<u>FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE CLAIM</u>							
						\$140	\$0.00
						TOTAL	\$0.00

- Petition for two (2) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$200.00 for the extension of time.
- No fee is required.
- Check(s) in the amount of \$200.00 is(are) enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

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Respectfully submitted,

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